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Adoption of the report of the Committee

Draft report

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Chapter ___
Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations held its 2008 regular session from 20 to 31 January 2008. The Committee held ___ meetings (1st to ___).

B. Attendance

2. The session was attended by 19 members of the Committee. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations, observers for non-member States, representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and observers for non-governmental organizations also attended. The list of participants will be issued as document E/C.2/2008/INF.1.

3. At its 2008 regular session, the Committee heard ___ representatives of non-governmental organizations who were given the opportunity to respond to questions raised by the Committee. The additional information provided by the representatives facilitated the debate and the work of the Committee in taking its decisions.

C. Election of officers

4. At its 1st meeting, on 21 January, the Committee elected the following officers by acclamation.

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Chairman:
Hassan Hamid Hassan (Sudan)

Vice-Chairpersons:
Alexandru Ciorobea (Romania)
Serhat Aksen (Turkey)
Bilal Hayee (Pakistan)

5. At its 2nd meeting, on 21 January, the Committee elected, by acclamation, Luis A. Amorós Núñez (Cuba) to serve as Vice-Chairman.

6. At its 10th meeting, on 25 January, the Committee elected Bilal Hayee (Pakistan) to serve as Rapporteur, in addition to serving as Vice-Chairperson.

D. Agenda

7. At its 1st meeting, on 21 January, the Committee approved the provisional agenda for its 2008 session as contained in document E/C.2/2008/1. The agenda reads as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations:
   (a) Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee;
   (b) New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification;
   (c) Applications of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status.
4. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council:
   (a) Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council;
   (b) Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council.
5. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Section of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat.
6. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304:
   (a) Process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations;

(b) Consideration of issues in the agenda of the informal working group;

(c) Other related matters.

7. Implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 2006/46.

8. Consideration of special reports.

9. General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Informal Regional Network.

10. Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2009 session of the Committee.

11. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

8. At the same meeting, the Committee approved its organization of work as contained in working paper No. 1.

E. Documentation

9. The list of documents before the Committee at its 2008 session is contained in the annex to the present document.

Annex

List of documents

Document symbol	*Agenda item*	*Title or description*
E/C.2/2008/1	2	Provisional agenda and annotations
E/C.2/2008/CRP.1	3 (a)	Applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held in 1999 to 2007
E/C.2/2008/CRP.3	3 (a)	Request for reclassification deferred from 2007 resumed session
E/C.2/2008/R.2 and Add.1-20	3 (b)	New applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council
E/C.2/2008/CRP.2	4 (a)	Compilation of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council deferred from previous sessions held from 1999 to 2007
E/C.2/2008/2 and Add.1-26	4 (b)	Quadrennial reports for the period 2003-2006 submitted through the Secretary-General pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31
E/C.2/2008/CRP.6	5	Study on the harmonization of civil society participation through a proposal of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs to implement the integrated civil society organizations toolkit
E/C.2/2008/CRP.4	6 (b)	Consideration of issues on the agenda of the informal working group
E/C.2/2008/CRP.5	9	Report on the participation of civil society at the Annual Ministerial Review Innovation Fair